UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA COLUMBIA DIVISION

BRIAN BOWEN II,

PLAINTIFF,

v.

NO. 3:18-CV-3118-JFA

ADIDAS AMERICA, INC.; JAMES GATTO; MERL CODE; CHRISTIAN DAWKINS; MUNISH SOOD; THOMAS GASSNOLA; and

CHRISTOPHER RIVERS,

DEFENDANTS.

DEFENDANT ADIDAS AMERICA, INC.'S MOTION TO DISMISS

Defendant adidas America, Inc. ("adidas"), by and through its undersigned counsel, hereby moves pursuant to Rule 12(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure to dismiss Plaintiff's Complaint with prejudice for failure to state a claim for which relief may be granted. The basis for this motion is set forth in further detail in adidas's accompanying memorandum of law, which is attached as Exhibit A. The Declaration of Lucy Dinkins is attached as Exhibit B. For the reasons set forth herein and in adidas's memorandum of law, adidas respectfully requests that the Court dismiss Plaintiff's claims against it with prejudice.

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Respectfully submitted,

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